



**THE HOTSPOT FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER**

**MUSIC THEME WEEK—GREAT SUCCESS**



This week has been dedicated fully to music as we have celebrated our music themed week. It's been a fabulous week, learning about music from all around the world and the children have been witness to a wide range of different , skilled musical performances. Not only that, the children have developed their Geographical knowledge, learning about their own dedicated continent. A huge thanks to the many groups and organisations that have supported our theme week by performing and lending equipment and the biggest thank you to Mr Brindle who has brought it all together.



**50 Things to do before you're 11 3/4**

I hope you all have a fun half term. Why not complete some more of the 50 things to do before you're 11 3/4? Even better, why not tweet us photos of your children doing them so we can join in a little with your fun.

**Lancashire Schools Dance Festival**

Tickets are now on sale for the Lancashire Schools Dance Festival which is taking place at the Guild Hall in Preston on Thursday 22nd November. Tickets can be purchased directly from the Guild Hall either on line <https://prestonguildhall.co.uk/book-online/114002/> or by telephone 01772 804444. Ticket prices are Adults £7 & Under 16's £4.50

**Beechbuds Holiday Club**

*Beechbuds is open this half term for any child aged 2-4 regardless of the nursery they already attend. If you want to attend then just drop in or contact Lorna on [lsuter@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:lsuter@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk)*

## Mr Wilkins' Magic Moment

My magic moment for this week is our music assembly. Staff and children have worked so hard to bring everything together and it was a joy to watch. A huge thank you to everyone who has gone above and beyond!! Check twitter out for a sample of some of the great work!

### OUTDOOR LEARNING DAY Thursday 8th November

Our next Outdoor Learning Day is due which has proven each time to be a great day. The day is dedicated to utilising our great outdoor environment whilst getting a full day of fresh air. We ask on this day that your child comes to school with outdoor clothing suitable for the weather conditions as we will be outside rain or shine. If the weather is wet, we ask that you send your child in with a simple change of clothes and footwear.

We have put this back to 8th November to give us time to plan the best day properly

### Football and Netball Training to Stop

Due to diminishing light, football and netball training will be postponed until further notice.

I'd like to thank the staff for giving up their time to do this.

## Underwear and Spare Clothes

If anyone has anyone spare clothes and underwear for our younger children, breakfast and after school club would appreciate any donations—not school uniform, just anything spare to go home in in case of accidents. Thanks!

## *STARS OF THE WEEK*

*Every week, one child in each class is chosen and celebrated in our celebration assembly for particular hard work, effort or something special. Each week we will share the winners with you...*

*Sycamore — Isis Rennison*

*Willow — Samuel Whitton*

*Cedar — Poppy Gordon*

*Maple — Megan Mihell*

*Chestnut — James Mather*

*Rowan — Layla Abram*

*Oak — Rhys Simms*

# Halloween Disco

The Halloween Disco was a great success once again with some wonderful efforts with costumes and pumpkins. It can only be a success though thanks to the wonderful time and efforts that FEPs give up so our thanks go to them. Thank you also to the staff that stayed to make sure that your children were safe, not too scared and entertained.

As it is the first time we've split the younger and older children, there is currently a live poll on twitter to see which you prefer. Vote now...

## After-school Club—Pricing Change

We are changing our pricing structure for after school club to help support you further with your childcare provision. The full cost of £8.50 is remaining the same yet if you pick your child up before 4:45pm then we will only charge you £5. We want to make sure you get value for money and whilst we are proud of the provision and care we provide, we appreciate that some parents don't access the full time yet pay the same as those that do. This will take affect after October Half Term.

Miss Grimes' Mystery Morning is now...

## Free Toddler Multi-Skills Session

For the first Tuesday of every month we are offering a free toddler session in the hall or outside for 2-4 year olds. The session will be based on getting the children active and moving with Miss Grimes, our Reception teacher, and Mr Walker, our Health and Fitness coordinator. Any 2-4 year old is welcome as we open our doors up to the community. Please share this information with anyone that may be interested. No booking required.

## MENU FOR WEEK BEGINNING 29TH OCTOBER 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BANGERS AND CHIPS OR PASTA BOLOGNAISE OR FILLED JACKET POTATO OR SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH	CHICKEN KORMA AND NAAN BREAD OR CURRY OR FILLED JACKET POTATO OR SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH	PIZZA OR CHEESE & TOMATO PASTA OR FILLED JACKET POTATO OR SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH	ROAST TURKEY OR MEATBALL SUB OR FILLED JACKET POTATO OR SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH	<b>CHIP SHOP FRIDAY!!</b> A CHOICE OF FISH OF THE DAY JUMBO SAUSAGE OR CHICKEN DIPPERS OR PIE OF THE DAY  ALL SERVED WITH CHIPS & PEAS AND A CHOICE OF GRAVY OR CURRY SAUCE
 <p>VEGETARIAN OPTIONS AVAILABLE.</p>				

A selection of vegetables and/or salad will be available each day. After their main meal the children will have a choice of desserts which will include fresh fruit or yoghurt. Please note the items on the above menu are subject to deliveries etc. and may have to be changed at short notice. The government have made funding available, for all children in Re-

## Upcoming Significant Dates

Thurs 1st Nov	Shining Lights—Schools Direct Open Evening
Mon 5th Nov	Individual and family photographs
Thurs 8th Nov	Outdoor Learning Day

"Everything you've ever wanted is on the other side of fear."

George Addair



**REMEMBER TO FOLLOW US  
ON TWITTER**



*We value.... we encourage....we expect*

## ALL ABOUT.....MRS JULIE WHITCOMBE

We will be finding out about all the adults that work in our school over the coming year. Next up is our longest serving teaching assistant, Mrs Julie Whitcombe

IF I COULD LIVE IN ANY TIME IN HISTORY: Egyptian

MOST ASHAMED OF: Failing my Biology GCSE

MY FIRST CAR: Morris Marina

MY FAVOURITE SMELL: Bacon frying

MY WORST SMELL: Public toilets

SOMETHING I'M SCARED OF: Wasps

3 WORDS TO DESCRIBE JULIE: Comforting, caring & loveable

You can contact Julie at [jwhitcombe@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:jwhitcombe@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk)

## School Council Parliament Trip

The school council attended the Houses of Parliament last Friday coupled with a comprehensive tour of London.

The children were a true credit to the school and had a fabulous time whilst learning a lot about democracy and representation.

I apologise that the school council did not get the opportunity to do the same last year. Efforts were made at the time, but places weren't available. This year was only possible because of a last minute cancellation that we capitalised on.

If any other opportunities arise then we will willingly consider last years school council for inclusion.

## PLANET POINTS

**And the results for this week are .....**

1st Place Saturn 313 points

2nd Place Mars 298 points

3rd Place Jupiter 276 points

4th Place Neptune 267 points

## October Half Term Holiday Club –Drop Ins Available

Our holiday club will be open every day this half term, Monday-Friday.

We accept drop ins so feel free to turn up on the day. It is open to all primary aged children regardless of their school.

We've received great feedback from our summer club and invite your children to come and join in the fun.

We open from 7:45-6pm at a cost of just £20 per day.

## WANT TO TRAIN TO TEACH IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS?

Open Evening—Thursday 1st  
November at Eccleston Primary  
School

If you know of anyone who is interested in beginning a career in teaching then we are hosting an evening on Thursday, 1st November in

partnership with Shining Lights Teaching School Alliance. Come along and have a chat to some of the representatives to see what the schools direct programme can offer. This is a schools based training programme set right on your doorstep, supported by local schools and trained by teachers and leaders currently working in the profession.

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**SCHOOL DIRECT PGCE  
INFORMATION  
EVENING**

**THURSDAY  
1ST NOVEMBER  
18:00 - 20:00**

**DROP IN ANYTIME**

**ECCLESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL  
DOCTOR'S LANE, ECCLESTON  
PR7 5RA**

